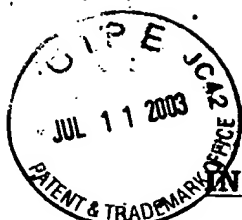


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**RULE 116 AMENDMENT**

SIR:

This Amendment addresses the Final Office Action mailed on  
March 11, 2003. Entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested since  
this Amendment places the above-identified application in condition for  
allowance and/or in better form for appeal.

**In The Claims:**

Please cancel Claim 2 without prejudice, and please amend  
Claims 1 and 7 as shown below:

1. (Amended) A method for controlling an internal combustion engine,  
comprising:  
controlling a fuel injection during an engine cycle using a control